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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Administrative Action

KAREN TUCKER, D.P.M. License No.: MD 2449

INTERIM
CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE PODIATRY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) by way of the Board receiving information that Dr. Tucker (Respondent) consulted with three patients in March of 2004 while she did not have a current and valid malpractice policy. Respondent's license was reinstated by the Board on October 10, 2003, following a suspension for three (3) years retroactive to March 5, 1999, the date of Respondent's guilty plea to one count of health care fraud (District of Texas).

The Board and Respondent seek to resolve this matter without resorting to further proceedings, and the Board finding that the within Interim Order is sufficiently protective of the public interest, and for good cause shown,



IT IS ON THEREFORE ON THIS 21/1 DAY OF OCT 2004 ORDERED:

- 1. That Karen Tucker, D.P.M. immediately cease and desist from maintaining a professional medical practice or providing patient care in this State until she provides documentation to the Board that she has a current and valid medical malpractice liability insurance policy which satisfies the requirements of N.J.S.A. 45:9-19.17(a).
- 2. The Board reserves the right to take disciplinary action against Respondent for consulting with patients without having a current and valid medical malpractice liability policy.

NEW JERSEY, STATE BOARD, OF MEDICAL

EXAMINERS

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Bernard Robins, M.D., F.A.C. P.

Board President

I consent to the form and entry of the above Ofder.

Karen Tocker, D.M.